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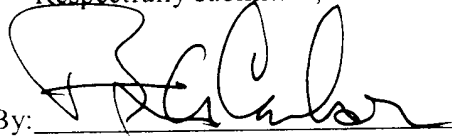
In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, which came to the attention of Applicants and Applicants' counsel within the last three months from a foreign search authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT). One copy of each cited document is submitted herewith, along with a copy of the International Search Report indicating any potential relevance of all non-English documents in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)3. Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are patentable over the foregoing references, alone or in combination. The Examiner is requested to initial the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and return a copy thereof to the undersigned.

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